

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Ruth Y. Goldway, Chairman;
Mark Acton, Vice Chairman; and
Robert G. Taub

Competitive Product Prices
First-Class Package Service Contract 1 (MC2012-11)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2012-19

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF

(Issued July 3, 2014)

The negotiated service agreement approved in this proceeding (Existing Agreement) is set to expire July 9, 2014.¹ The Postal Service filed a motion requesting that the Commission extend the expiration date of the Existing Agreement.²

The Postal Service states that the parties have reached an agreement on a new contract and it has been signed by both parties. *Id.* at 1. The Postal Service expects to file the new agreement with the Commission on July 3, 2014. *Id.* However, because of the timing, a short window will exist between the expiration of the Existing Agreement and the effective date of the new contract and will create an interruption in the

¹ See Order No. 1339, Order Adding First-Class Package Service Contract 1 to the Competitive Product List, May 10, 2012. See also Order No. 2084, Order Granting Motion for Temporary Relief, June 2, 2014.

² Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, July 2, 2014 (Motion).

customer's access to negotiated rates. *Id.* To avoid this, the Postal Service requests that the Commission grant an extension allowing the Existing Agreement to remain in effect until such time as the Commission is able to complete its review of the new agreement. *Id.* at 2.

The Motion is granted. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue through, and will expire on, August 8, 2014 or upon approval by the Commission of a new agreement, whichever occurs first. Allowing the Existing Agreement to remain in effect temporarily is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person.

It is ordered:

1. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, filed July 2, 2014, is granted.
2. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue through, and will expire on, August 8, 2014 or upon approval by the Commission of a new agreement, whichever occurs first.

By the Commission.

Ruth Ann Abrams
Acting Secretary